

BRITISH-AMERICAN CONCLAVE OPENS TODAY



LAST PICTURE OF BILL ODUM—Bill Odum, killed on the second lap of the Thompson Trophy Race at the National Air Races in Cleveland when his dark green "Beguine" crashed, walks wing in stocking feet with plane owner, Jacqueline Cochran Odum (Sept. 3) after Odum won the open-class, closed course event. Mrs. Odum also is in stocking feet to protect finish. Actually Odum always flew with his shoes off.—(AP wirephoto.)

The Weather
Generally fair today and Thursday with morning fog in valleys.
Sunset today 6:38 p. m.
Sunrise tomorrow 5:45 a. m.

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English Crisis Will Be Topic At Big Session

Prime Minister Bevin Says U. S. And Canada Must Harmonize Economy

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER
WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—(AP)—The United States, Britain and Canada began momentous talks today on the financial disaster which threatens Britain.
Before they closed the doors, they permitted newswire cameramen to record the opening, welcoming remarks.
The chiefs of all three delegations spoke hopefully of helpful and constructive results, but all shied away from forecasts of any specific actions.
Foreign Minister Bevin of Britain said the United States, Britain and Canada must "harmonize all our political, our financial and economic action." That is necessary, he said, to lay "the correct foundation for the future peace of the world." He called Britain's difficulties "the inevitable aftermath of two world wars."
Snyder Presides
Secretary of the Treasury Snyder, presiding, said:
"I feel sure that on this occasion in an atmosphere of friendship and constructive conversation and discussions we can find some ground on which to work out the problems that are facing us today—not only in the United Kingdom, Canada and the United States, but in the world."
Douglas Abbott, the head of the Canadian delegation, said that he too felt sure "that these discussions will result in our finding some helpful way of meeting."
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City Council Action On Airport Is Delayed

Cost Estimate Needed Before Definite Plans

Public Housing, Street Work, Garbage, Rest Rooms Are Considered
What the council did: Heard discussion of proposed airport.
Moved to request 100 new low rental housing units for the city.
Discussed and acted on street widening and improvements.
Heard readings on garbage collection and garbage dump ordinances.
Voted to pay August claims against the city.
Postponed action on resolutions requesting spraying of Roseburg as check on diseases and insects.
Approved request for police car radio installations.
The city council highlighted a three-hour meeting at the city hall last night with a discussion of the proposed airport improvement, with definite action postponed until more information is available.
Council members felt they were unable to go ahead with specific planning until at least a tentative total cost estimate is submitted by the Civil Aeronautics authority. The council is also awaiting the completion of the city engineer's survey.
Considerable discussion was raised as to the most suitable site for the airport, with some council members viewing the opinion

Mosquito Spray Eyed As Possible Disease Killer

The city council last night voted to delay action on resolutions endorsed by five Roseburg service and fraternal organizations asking the city to spray the area with a DDT mixture as a check against communicable diseases and insects.
The resolution, presented by Avery Thompson, cited the recent "outbreak" of polio cases in Douglas county and the abundance of mosquitoes in the city as the need for the spray treatment proposed. The move was endorsed by representatives of the Elks lodge, Rotary, Active, Jaycees and the Business and Professional Women's club.
According to the resolution, an emergency was declared to exist in this area because of four polio cases discovered within the past month. Effectiveness of the spray was pointed out by citing the experience of Ontario, Ore., where polio has declined, incident with the application of the spray treatment. Such action is also reportedly underway in other Oregon cities. Estimated cost of the spraying, to be done by plane, was approximately \$1500.
Upon recommendation of Mayor Albert Flegel, the council voted to await further investigation by the organizations sponsoring the resolution, with City Manager Matt Slankard instructed to contact other cities where the project has been carried out. Councilmen also suggested that the county be contacted as to its thought on the matter, with the view that the city and county cooperate if the project seems advisable.
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Murder Trial Jury To View Tragedy Scene

Victoria Sanders Fate At Stake In Trial; Testimony Begins Today
Five men and seven women will decide the guilt or innocence of Victoria Sanders, in her murder trial which opened in circuit court Tuesday.
The jury was selected late yesterday afternoon, after lengthy questioning of prospective jurors by both the state and the defense.
After court convened this morning, the jury departed by bus for Drain, to view the house where Ralph Mojonier was found dead Oct. 28, 1947.
Opening statements to the jury were to be made this afternoon, after the return of the court from Drain.
The jury includes Greta Caskey, Marybelle Beckley, Roscoe Conn, Melba L. Smith, Hayden H. DeCamp, Ann Machen, Cleo Tipton, Greta Berrie, Conley C. Shelton, Wilona P. Bailey, and Katherine E. Young, alternate.
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WANTED IMMUNITY

Kimball Testifies Worth Asked Protection If He Revealed Document Author

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—(AP)—Undersecretary of the Navy Dan A. Kimball testified today that the author of the once-anonymous memo that touched off the B-36 bomber investigation once asked him for immunity.
Kimball said his suspended special assistant, Cedric Worth, author of the document, told him last May "he could find out who wrote it if I would promise immunity."
That was before Worth acknowledged in a congressional investigation that he was the author.
Kimball, a witness in a special navy court investigation of the background of the paper said he couldn't offer immunity. He added that he didn't even know what the immunity would be from.
Furthermore, Kimball said, he doesn't know anybody else in the navy who might have prepared the memo. He said if he had "I would have had them suspended or court-martialed."
The document suggested that frauds and politics surrounded development of the B-36 bomber by the Air Force. It reflected on Secretary of Defense Johnson and Secretary of Air Sympington.
Worth retracted all the charges when grilled by the House Armed Services committee. The committee exonerated Johnson, Sympington, and everybody else of any corruption.
Now the navy is trying to find out whether anyone else in the navy helped Worth prepare the anonymous memo.
Cmdr. W. E. Sweeney, now on the staff of the commander in

Shirley May Sure She Can Conquer Channel In Time

DOVER, Eng., Sept. 7.—(AP)—Shirley May, Franco, red-eyed, string-haired and tired, said today she will have another try at swimming the English Channel.
"I beat me yesterday, but I am sure I can get across next time," said the 17-year-old Somerset, Mass., schoolgirl.
She does not know when "next time" will be, but it may be in a year or two.
Shirley May was pulled out of the water yesterday afternoon after she had tried courageously for 10 1/2 hours to swim from France to England.
She was hauled out at a point estimated to be six miles from her goal, a very cold, but determined girl.
She protested violently at this. Her shouts of "No, no," rang out over the waves.
"I am very disappointed," Shirley May said after a warm bath and shampoo to take the grease out of her hair. "It was the first five hours of the swim that beat me."
"Those awful, chopping waves washed the grease from my shoulders and after that, of course, I got cold quickly."
The temperature of the water was never above the low sixties and in some frigid currents might have been under 60 degrees, her handlers said.
"I wonder what would have happened if I had had a good day," said Shirley May. "Any way, I am sure I can do it."

Thongs Witness Miss America Beauty Parade

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Sept. 7.—(AP)—Some of the nation's most beautiful girls tonight begin an intense competition that will end Saturday in the selection of Miss America.
For three days the 52 girls in the Miss America pageant will show off the way they look in a bathing suit, the pose they can muster in an evening gown, and their entertaining talents.
Judged on these three distinct contest phases, 15 lucky finalists will enter the home stretch on Saturday. From them the new queen of feminine pulchritude will be chosen.
The spectacular pageant began yesterday with a four-mile parade of entrants before a jam-packed crowd, estimated by police at 250,000.
The retiring Miss America of 1948, Bebe Shopp of Hopkins, Minn., led the parade perched on a huge, gold-flecked float. Strung out behind her on the boardwalk were dazzling beauties representing 45 states, four major cities, Hawaii, Puerto Rico and Canada.

CAMDEN SLAYINGS RISE

Thirteenth Victim Dies After Shooting By Beserk Veteran In Tragic Affair

CAMDEN, N. J., Sept. 7.—(AP)—The toll in Camden's river road mass shooting rose to 13 today with the death of 10-year-old John Wilson.
The youngster was the third member of his family claimed by the bullets of a stalking gunman who turned a city block into a place of terror yesterday.

In the Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS
FOR weeks the papers have been full of this "five per center" business. Maybe you understand it, and maybe you don't. Let's try taking it apart to see what makes its wheels go around.
A FIVE-PER-CENTER is a person, usually a resident of Washington, who will agree to help you get some business from the government if you will pay him a fee. The average fee is around five per cent. Hence the term "five per center."
The business itself sprouted out of the growing complexity of our federal government in the New Deal and the later and far more complex New-Deal-plus-the-war-effort days. In the beginning, it worked this way:
You came to Washington because Washington was (and still is) the nation's county seat. Your

Home Destroyed In Tye Brush, Pasture Blaze

Home of Will Dameswood, near the Tye bridge, about 20 miles north and west of here, was destroyed in a brush and pasture fire yesterday, reported U. F. McLaughlin, dispatcher for the Douglas Forest Protective association.
Full report on the fire had not yet been received here this morning, said McLaughlin. It is believed the fire may have started from a spark remaining from a 100-acre incendiary fire in that vicinity a few days ago.
McLaughlin said another fire below the association's Elkton camp, between highway 38 and Elk creek, was extinguished yesterday. It was about half an acre in extent, and was believed started from a cigarette tossed from a passing car.
Ray B. Hampton, fire control officer for the Umpqua National forest, said the fire on Little Taft creek is "just about ready" to be placed on a patrol basis. About 40 men still remain on the scene, and are mopping up the northwest corner, where the fire covers about three or four acres.
Crews on the fire were cut down last night, said Hampton. The terrain is so rugged, that the men cannot hope to put out the fire completely, but will maintain a patrol around the outer perimeter for a few days more.

Tualatin River Pollution Study Is Now Underway

FOREST GROVE, Sept. 7.—(AP)—Pollution of the Tualatin river in a sector where fish life has been destroyed was being studied today by the State Game and Sanitary commission officials.
Sportsmen here have also entered the investigation seeking an explanation for the discoloration of the water and death of countless trout, salmon and scrap fish.
Sanitary Commission Engineer K. H. Spies reported the declining oxygen content of the stream at a point near Cornelius has been observed for a long period. Trout as large as 18 inches have been killed. Some have been skinned off the river for evidence in any future legal action.
Spies said the Stinson Lumber company, which had been cited for polluting Scroggins creek earlier this year, had corrected the mill situation. He said the mill was not suspected in the present pollution.

Idaho Girl Faces Murder Charges In Father's Death

SANDPOINT, Idaho, Sept. 7.—(AP)—First degree murder charges were filed today against Charlotte Burns, a 13-year-old farm girl accused of killing her father with a hammer.
Charlotte was confused and remorseful, Prosecutor Robert E. McFarland said, and wondered "what the outside world will do to me."
She said she had been to towns only twice before in her life. Her third trip led to jail.
"The girl is definitely remorseful," McFarland said. "However, I must file the charges so that she may be held and then make a thorough investigation."
She and her 12-year-old brother, Louis, were arrested near Coeur D'Alene, Idaho, Sunday after Charles Burns, 67, was found beaten to death on a bed at his home.
Admits Striking Father
Officers in Coeur D'Alene said she had admitted hitting her father with a three-pound hammer because he had failed to keep promises to take her on trips, had beaten her severely, and was threatening her just before the attack.
Officers said Charlotte is well versed in lore of the woods but is confused by towns and jails. She has heavy calluses on her hands which she said came from doing farm work at her home on Lake Pend Oreille.
Her brother was held as a material witness. Officers said she told him Louis watched the attack on her father.

School Figures Show Enrollment Above Last Year

At the end of the first day of registration for elementary students, and the first day of classes for junior and senior high school pupils, registration figures were running well over opening day figures set last year, according to City School Supt. Paul S. Elliott.
As of Sept. 6, a total of 2701 pupils were enrolled in the city school system, an increase of 219 over last year's first day figures.
Largest gain was noted in the elementary schools, with 114 more students registered than last year. Junior and senior high schools showed nearly identical gains over last year's figures with 701 enrolled at the junior high and 677 at senior high, representing gains of 53 and 52, respectively.
City school officials expect enrollment figures to keep climbing as late comers swell registration totals.
Elliott said opening day figures had already topped the total number of students anticipated for the entire year. Estimates of 675 were made for both the junior and senior high schools.

State Fair Big Crowd Drawer

SALEM, Sept. 7.—(AP)—Salem closed up shop this afternoon to go to the State Fair. And another record crowd was in prospect.
Attendance yesterday, second day of the fair, was 25,544, about 1,000 more than the previous Tuesday mark set in 1948.
And there wasn't any sign of a recession around here. The crowd was spending money as never before, and it bet \$48,402 on the horse races to set a new Tuesday high figure. That was double the betting total of the same day last year.
An unusual feature yesterday was a two-way tie in the 4-H club cake baking contest between Shirley Page, 14, Salem, and Diane Loennig, 16, Baker. First prize is a \$100 college scholarship given by the Oregon Wheat commission.
But the commission voted yesterday to give each girl a scholarship.
Both girls said they practiced on their parents before the contest. Shirley baked 20 sponge cakes and Diane 12.
Diane is the younger sister of Elsie Loennig, who won the contest a year ago.
Both said their families are sick of eating sponge cake.
More than 2,000 youths have entries in the 4-H club contests, which make up a big part of the fair.
Kiddieland, the new system of rides for the children, is getting a big play. Another popular feature are the exhibits by the armed forces.

Four Are Hospitalized After Sunday Collision

An automobile pulling into the highway from private driveway was given by state police as the reason for a collision which sent four people to Mercy hospital Sunday night.
Sgt. Lyle Harrell said the accident occurred on the Coos Bay highway at 7 o'clock, when a car operated by Carol Stewart Johnson, Portland, crashed into a car driven by Cressy Elton Finch, Tenmile.
Sgt. Harrell said Finch pulled into the highway from a private driveway and was struck by the other car. Finch suffered broken ribs. His passenger, Bertha May Finch, 15, was shaken and bruised. Johnson, driver of the other car, received cuts and bruises, while his passenger, Francis W. Wilson of Portland, suffered a fractured wrist. Of the four accident victims, only Carl Johnson has been released from the hospital.

Small Girl Dies Beside Casket Of Dead Father

ATLANTA, Sept. 7.—(AP)—"Daddy, I know you loved me very much and I know you know that I loved you, too. I want to go with you."
With those words, a frail, grief-stricken girl collapsed beside her father's casket last night and died.
Nine-year-old Mary Long will get her dying wish. She and her father, Hiram B. Long, will have a double funeral tomorrow. Services for Long were postponed one day so Mary's wish could be fulfilled.
A 65-year-old retired brass worker, died Monday. He had been in ill health for months.
Survivors include the widow, the mother of nine other children.

Alleged Spotlights Assessed Fines Of \$150

Two alleged deer spotlights paid fines of \$150 each and their guns were confiscated, in the court of Justice of the Peace Vard C. Watson at Sutherlin Monday. They were arrested on the Hubbard creek road Sunday night. State Police Sgt. Lyle Harrell gave their names as Alfred Shmoor Sluder, 34, of Tye, and Steve Leon Drew, 47, of Myrtle Creek.

Mother And Children Injured In Train Crash

MILWAUKEE, Ore., Sept. 7.—(AP)—A small boy, his mother and two sisters were injured yesterday when a truck in which they were riding was struck by a freight train engine at a crossing here.
State police said Mrs. Arleta Cendania, 28, who operates a small vegetable farm east of here, was driving home with the children. Two-year-old David suffered a leg fracture and internal injuries. His mother and sisters, Darelene, 5, and Donna, 7, suffered cuts and bruises.
The northbound Southern Pacific was not moving fast, police said. The engine scuffed the flatbed truck along the rails and then tipped it off the right-of-way.

Czech Claims Are Propaganda, Says U. S. Ambassador

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia, Sept. 7.—(AP)—U. S. Ambassador Joseph Jacobs today termed "undignified" and a propaganda gesture a Czech note protesting the alleged kidnaping of 23 Czechoslovakians by American soldiers.
The note claimed the Americans kidnaped 22 Czech soldiers and a small boy at the border of Czechoslovakia and the U. S. zone of Germany on Aug. 27.
Jacobs made his charges in a statement handed to correspondents at an embassy news conference.
The communist-led Czech government had protested the alleged incident in a sharply-worded note handed to the American embassy here last night.
An hour and a half later the official Prague radio was broadcasting the protest note.

Honolulu Bound Plane Turns Back After Fire

MEDFORD, Ore., Sept. 7.—(AP)—A Northwest Airlines DC-4 landed here safely today after turning back on a Seattle-to-Honolulu flight when a warning light indicated fire in the baggage compartment.
Fire extinguishers were used while the plane was returning here, and on landing, baggage was removed and no evidence could be found that there had been a fire, officials said.
The plane carried 11 passengers and six crewmen. Capt. R. O. Polhamus was in command. It turned back when about 31 hours out of Portland.
Cargo consisted chiefly of baby chicks and perishables. All but a few of the chicks were killed by the fumes from the fire extinguishers.
Included in the cargo was a box of fruit which had left here only yesterday for Portland.

Pilot Of Helicot Plane Killed In Strait Plunge

SEATTLE, Sept. 7.—(AP)—The pilot of a navy F6F "Hellcat" fighter plane, killed yesterday in the crash of his craft into the Strait of Juan de Fuca, was identified as Lt. (JG) Raymond E. Veith, 26, a Seattle navy reserve member.
Searchers found only an oil slick where the plane crashed.
It was one of five from the Sand Point naval air station participating in high altitude training and bombing practice. The group was under command of Lt. Comdr. W. E. Flateboe of Everett.

Northwest Pear Growers Ask Government Buying

PORTLAND, Sept. 7.—(AP)—Northwest pear growers have asked for an extension of the government purchasing program.
W. J. Broadhead, U. S. department of agriculture branch chief here, said the growers want the government to buy an additional 300 cars of the fruit in the three week extension. He said the request had been relayed to Washington, D. C.
Purchases by the government now total 258 cars from the two Pacific Northwest states. Broadhead reported.

Turkey Prices Will Beat Support Prices, Predicts Roseburg Labor Day Visitor

Turkey prices during the forthcoming holiday marketing season will "beat support prices," in the opinion of Herbert Beyers, Salt Lake, manager of the Norbest Turkey Growers association.
Beyers, formerly of Roseburg and manager of the Oregon Turkey Growers association prior to assuming his present position, spent the Labor day weekend visiting his mother, Mrs. Cora E. Beyers, Roseburg, and friends in this area. He left Tuesday for Portland to take the plane for Salt Lake.
Consumption of turkeys is surprisingly good at present, Beyers reports. Storage holdings are about the same as last year at the same time, but are moving

Jack Shook Is Charged With Drunk Driving

When Jack Rufus Shook, 25, of Roseburg crowded a state police car off a curve of the Pacific highway, two miles north of Roseburg, at 11:15 last night, he was arrested on a charge of drunken driving.
Sgt. Lyle Harrell said Shook's "erratic driving" attracted the attention of the officer, who then investigated and arrested Shook, who is to be arraigned in justice court today.
INVESTIGATE
Report that the Tye Lumber company store was burglarized last night is being investigated by state police. Sgt. Lyle Harrell reported this morning.



DEATH SCENE—The jury in Victoria Sanders' murder trial was to view this house today. It is where the body of Ralph Mojonier was found dead, Oct. 28, 1947. The house is located on highway 38, two miles west of Drain.